

Council Members Present

Larry Claunch

Gloria Dickey

Vanney Mayberry

Kay Sanders

Jerry Smith

Lea Tinker

The meeting was called to order at 7:24 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES:

Chairman Claunch entertained a motion to accept the minutes as read. Council Member Dickey seconded the motion and all were in favor.

STAFF REPORTS:

The Field Representative report was scheduled until later in the meeting to allow guest speakers to give their presentations first.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Public Works – Ken Guidry, Chief of Transportation Division

Public works has been working to resolve flooding problems by installing cross gutters in the Muscoy community. To date there have been 13 new cross gutters installed to improve the flow of water through busy intersections.

The City of San Bernardino has approved the construction of new homes along the northern border of Muscoy. County Public Works will contact the City of San Bernardino regarding plans to mitigate water runoff into the Muscoy area.

Mr. Guidry noted that there are plans to construct a railroad overpass at Cajon Blvd. but the money is being held up at the state level.

B. Sheriff's Department – Deputy Kathy Gray

The Sheriff's Department is holding a citizens academy. The program is geared towards teaching citizens about basic law enforcement skills and procedures. The classes will be held from March 20 through June 19. The cost of tuition is \$46.50. For more information contact the Sheriff's Dept. at (909) 473-2695.

There were two murders in the Muscoy area. The first incident occurred at Cajon Blvd. and Macy St. The Sheriff's Dept. currently has one suspect in custody and the other is known but not in custody.

The second incident began in San Bernardino and ended in Muscoy with the Murder of a juvenile. All of the suspects are known but not yet in custody. Deputy Gray added that neither of the two incidents appeared to be gang related or specifically tied to the Muscoy community.

Deputy Gray responded to questions raised during Det. Lomeli's presentation at the previous meeting regarding paroled sex offenders. She reported that the parolees do not receive a cash stipend from the state. County Parole Dept. will pay for up to 3

months of rent to house a new parolee. After the first 3 months the parolee then becomes responsible for providing his or her rent.

Field Representative Frances Vasquez added that the owners of the Canaan House group home for parolees receive a monthly stipend of \$400 per parolee.

The question of speed limits was raised by the public. Deputy Gray stated that speed limits do not fall under the jurisdiction of the MAC. Frances Vasquez stated that she would invite Officer Joe Ramos of the local CHP to report on those issues.

ACTION ITEMS:

None

REPORTS:

a. Staff — Frances Vasquez, Field Representative

Ms. Vasquez announced the appointment of two new Muscoy MAC members: Rev. Gloria Dickey and Mr. Vanney Mayberry. The new MAC members will be sworn in at the next MAC meeting scheduled for March 21st, 2006 at 7 p.m.

The Supervisor plans to host a workshop for all Municipal Advisory Council Members on Wednesday, March 29, 2006 at the Government Center.

The Board of Supervisors approved the addition of two new MAC positions for both the Muscoy and Bloomington MACs. This will increase the Bloomington and Muscoy MACs to seven members. If citizens are interested in serving as a member of the Muscoy MAC please contact Supervisor Gonzales' office at (909) 387-4565.

The County Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is planning on rolling out a program in Muscoy after March – no specific date as of yet. CERT requires a partnership between community members and the local public safety agency. The public safety agency representative will oversee the coordination and creation of a Citizen Corps Sub-council. A Citizens Corp cannot be formed without this partnership. The Citizen Corps Sub-council could be formed from an existing disaster group in the community or could be a newly formed group of local community members. If you have questions regarding the MAC you may contact Larry Claunch for more information.

The next step is to identify members in the community that will take the CERT training. The Citizen Corps Sub-council is responsible for recruiting community members to receive CERT training. This can be accomplished by word of mouth, fliers, newspapers, and radio/television announcements. The County of San Bernardino uses the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Emergency Management Institute (EMI) CERT approved 20-hour course of instruction.

Muscoy Fire Station #75 is now open and operational. The address is 2852 Macy St. in Muscoy. A date has not been announced for the grand opening.

A question was asked as to when the PAC will meet. Frances stated that the County is in the process of hiring a new Director for the Redevelopment Agency and that we

will have more information regarding the Cajon PAC once a new Director is brought on board. She will give an update at the next MAC meeting.

Events

Town Hall Meeting with California Insurance Commissioner John Garamendi at the Villaseñor Branch Library Community Room, 525 N. Mt. Vernon Ave., in San Bernardino.

Commissioner Garamendi will discuss the expansion of the California Low-Cost Automobile Insurance Program, auto rating factors regulations, and answer the public's questions about insurance. More information is available by calling Mike Hauben at (213) 346-6332.

Regional Parks Lifeguard Program is looking for good swimmers over the age of 16. This is a great opportunity, so please encourage your kids, family members and friends to apply. Applications are due by March 3, 2006. Call (909) 387-2461.

"Herstory Luncheon" will take place Wednesday, March 15, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Clarion Hotel, "E" St., San Bernardino. It is sponsored by the County Commission on the Status of Women.

"Women Making History" Awards Events by Assemblyman Joe Baca, Jr. on Friday, March 17, 6 p.m. at the National Orange Show Events Center, Valencia Rm., San Bernardino.

Blast Soccer Skills Clinic "Lil' Kickers Program" for boys and girls 4 to 7 years old. Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Blast Soccer Complex, 3652 Little League Dr., S.B. Cost: \$45 Registration, \$35 monthly. Info, call Mario Mejia at (951) 830-8180.

Reminder – Officer Gray brought flyers for the Sheriff's Dept. Citizens Academy. Other flyers are on the table for attendee.

Ms. Linda Thacker inquired if there was a response from staff regarding Supervisor Gonzales' \$1 million budget item for a community center in Muscoy. Frances Vasquez replied that Supervisor Gonzales issued a Press Release (including the Muscoy News) regarding her allocation for \$1 million towards capital costs of building a new community center in Muscoy. The County is looking at feasible ways to finance the operational expenses with minimal costs to the community, including partnerships with other entities like the school district. A community survey was conducted in Muscoy last Spring that identified several community needs. The survey respondents overwhelmingly expressed the need for a community center. Also, the number one identified need was for adequate street lighting, and the need for recreation facilities in Muscoy was identified as the number two need. Discussion was held regarding a lack of wholesome recreation for youth, and inadequate street lighting contributing to crime and unsafe conditions for the public. All MAC members expressed support for the Supervisor's efforts to bring resources to Muscoy.

b. Chairman Larry Claunch

Chairman Claunch reminded all MAC members and the public that the MAC meetings shall begin at 7 p.m. per request by Supervisor Gonzales to ensure consistency with the other Municipal Advisory Councils within the 5th District. He stated that today was the deadline for citizens to submit signatures for the Jessica's Law Initiative. He has been working with the City of San Bernardino to identify flood mitigation from recent and future housing developments. He appointed Sue Dawson to chair the CERT sub-committee.

Council Member Gloria Dickey

Council Member Dickey reported that she is working with Assemblyman Joe Baca, Jr. to address Railway safety and the Rail Road initiative. She will be meeting with his office to discuss public concerns.

Council Member Vanney Mayberry

No Report

Council Member Jerry Smith

No Report

Council Member Kay Sanders

No Report

Council Member Lea Tinker

No Report

Public Comments

CERT TRAINING - Sue Dawson

Ms. Dawson announced that she is working with the MAC to organize CERT training for the Muscoy community. She emphasized the need for the community to be prepared to care for itself in the event of a catastrophe. Anyone interested in participating can contact Sue Dawson for information.

William Fanning

Mr. Fanning announced that the carnival is coming to Muscoy for the first two weekends in March. Mr. Fanning also announced that he hosts a community website at www.muscoy.net. The site will be a resource for information relevant to the community of Muscoy. He encouraged the public to view the site and offer suggestions.

Linda Thacker

Linda Thacker announced that the San Bernardino City Unified School District has agreed to conduct a complete Environmental Impact Report on a development within the Muscoy area. The school district agreed to do so after receiving writing requests from Ms. Thacker and several other concerned residents.

The meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m. until the next Muscoy MAC meeting scheduled for March 21, 2006 at 7 p.m.

Submitted by: Dan Flores – Muscoy MAC Secretary (909) 387-4565